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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
HOWARD C. KRIKAN ET AL. :  
  
SERIAL NO.: NEW APPLICATION : GROUP ART UNIT: 3738  
CONTINUATION OF :  
Serial No. 08/742,868 :  
  
FILED: EXAMINER: C. Koh  
:  
  
FOR: METHOD OF USING LECTINS FOR :  
AGGLUTINATION AND COLLECTION :  
OF MENSTRUAL FLOW :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In advance of prosecution please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, immediately after the title, please insert the paragraph identified as [A\*] on the attached sheet.

REMARKS

The amendment to the specification has been made in order to insert the required information regarding prior applications from which benefit of priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 120.

In view of the above amendment, the application is believed to be in condition for examination.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas R. Boland".

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## RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of copending application Serial No. 09/742,868, filed November 01, 1996, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/453,390, filed May 30, 1995, abandoned.